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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A camera device comprising:

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an optical system driven to a predetermined position upon initialization when a photographing mode has been set;

a memory including an area for storing lens information inherent to the optical system, an area for storing a file management program, and a management area which is managed by using the file management program, the area for storing the lens information differing from the management area; and

a controller which controls the initialization of the optical system based on the lens information stored in the memory.

- A camera device according to claim 1, wherein the optical system comprises a zoom lens.
 - 3. A camera device according to claim 1, wherein the optical system comprises a focus lens.
 - 4. A camera device according to claim 3, wherein the optical system comprises a focus lens.
 - 5. A method for controlling a camera device comprising an optical system driven to a predetermined position upon initialization when a photographing mode has been set and a memory including an area for storing lens information inherent to the optical system, an area for storing a file management program, and a management area which is managed by using the file

management program, the method comprising:

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storing the lens information into a predetermined area which differs from the management area; and

controlling the initialization of the optical system based on the lens information stored in the predetermined area.

6. A computer readable program for controlling a camera device comprising an optical system driven to a predetermined position upon initialization when a photographing mode has been set and a memory including an area for storing lens information inherent to the optical system, an area for storing a file management program, and a management area which is managed by using the file management program, the program comprising:

storing the lens information into a predetermined area which differs from the management area; and

controlling the initialization of the optical system based on the lens information stored in the predetermined area.